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Column One
By David Courtney

IN Indo-China the French are in a fix; and before very long they will be in as serious a fix in North Africa, unless there comes a Government in Paris strong enough to defy the French settlers in Tunisia and Algeria and their considerable "lobby" at the National Assembly. The arrests of the Prime Minister of Tunisia, M. Chenik, and of the leaders of the neo-Destour party, are evidence that the careful policy of reconciliation has been interrupted once again and that repressive action has taken its place. The result may satisfy M. Pinay's hunger for a few additional right-wing votes in the Assembly. It is hardly likely to pacify the Tunisians or to lead to a lessening of the terrible drain on French strength in North Africa and the other colonial territories of France.

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THE place of France in relation to Europe and the world at large has become an affair of intricate and exasperating problems: they exasperate her own politics, the feelings of her neighbours, the aspirations of her colonies, the tempers of her great Western allies. It is easier, of course, to attribute the problems to the obstinacy of Paris than to understand them; and much easier to be loftily surprised than to be sympathetic. The French, even those whose conscience stings, rightly feel that Britain and America have done little enough to help French interests in North Africa and elsewhere and have no right to take on moral attitudes when the conflict between France and her colonies tends to get out of hand. French Governments have risked their own office and the nation's security in the interests of a wider security, as laid down in Washington and London. They have been snubbed in matters affecting the guardianship of the Mediterranean. They have been persuaded to make over North African bases to their allies who, in return, and deliberately or not, have done more to diminish than increase French prestige throughout the area. It may be argued that all this is "realism" and that the French have lost the right to be treated seriously as a Great Power. But it would be silly to expect the French to accept the argument.

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WHEN that is said, French policy in Tunisia remains a matter open to grave criticism. The Bey, having at first resisted the French demand for the dismissal of his Ministers, upon whom, in the past, he has consistently relied for advice, appears now to have been persuaded to acquiesce in the arrests, and to attempt to form a new Government. But he knows, and the French know, that M. Chenik, with whom the neo-Destour party has co-operated, has the bulk of public opinion behind him; and that the acceptance of the new French proposals by an unpopular and unrepresentative Government will damage the chance of their acceptance by the people even if the proposals are an advance on anything presented before. M. Chenik and his followers—not altogether unlike the case of Ho Chi-Minh of Indo-China—are being driven from what has looked like a genuine readiness to cooperate with Paris and to leave to France the control of foreign relations, defence, and even some economic matters, to what may well be leadership, even from prison, of bitter and prolonged national resistance.

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THE great pity of it is that the French have also shown a genuine desire to reconcile their own interests with the just claims of Tunisian national feeling. Why these retrogressive interruptions? There would seem to be no doubt that French settlers in Tunisia and Algeria, fearful of the effects of national autonomy on their own privileged position, have been active; and that their reactionary friends in the National Assembly have been putting the screw on M. Pinay. And there would also seem to be no doubt that M. Pinay (as the budget itself has shown) has not the spirit to resist. Men of little spirit have brought about the tragedy of Indo-China. They will yet bring Tunisia to tragedy. The French had better begin themselves or such calm will bring about the tragedy of France herself.

Tel Aviv, April 2.

Nationality Act Passes Knesset

The Nationality Act which will confer citizenship automatically upon all Jewish residents and some of the non-Jews will become law on July 14. The legislation was passed yesterday in the Knesset just before the House adjourned for a five weeks recess.

Budget Adopted By 48 Votes to 36

By 48 votes to 36, the Knesset yesterday afternoon passed an ordinary budget of IL.168,450,000 for the current fiscal year. The coalition parties voted solidly for the estimates and the opposition groups, including the Progressives and the Mapam dissidents, voted against it.

All the ordinary expenditure, including the armed forces appropriations, were, for the first time in the four-year history of Israel, covered by revenue from taxes and Government services.

Appropriation after appropriation was passed by the House in the last two days by the vote of the coalition majority. None of the close to 300 proposed amendments were passed.

Explains Opposition

The General Zionist spokesman, Mr. Yosef Saphir, said his party was voting against the budget because it ignored the fundamental causes of the financial and moral difficulties, as well as the confidence crisis. He also said it confirmed the trend of party domination.

Seif e-Din Zuabi (Arab Democrats) welcomed the trend toward assuring equal rights to Arabs and announced support for the budget.

The Progressive spokesman, Dr. Y. Foerder, complained that Government had not sought the cooperation of all constructive forces in the State to achieve economic recovery.

The Knesset House Committee verified yesterday that the Knesset Speaker has appointed Aluf Mishne Yerachmiel Belkin as sergeant at arms.

Renewal of Infiltration Pact Under Fire

The renewal of the agreement to curb infiltration was discussed yesterday at an informal meeting of the Israel and Jordan delegations to the Mixed Armistice Commission which met at Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem, it was announced yesterday. The agreement expired on Sunday night.

The Israel delegation, after presenting a long list of serious violations and hostile actions by local Jordan commanders, said that if the situation does not improve, it would see the agreement as "superfluous." The delegation also demanded that Jordan clarify her intentions and inform Israel of practical steps taken to curb infiltration.

Israel officials are at present considering Jordan's replies to the charges, and a final decision on the agreement will be given at tomorrow's MAC meeting at Baka el Gharbiyeh on the Triangle border.

Earlier in the meeting, high officials of the Israel and Jordan Ministries of Justice met and discussed the mutual exchange of Mandatory files.

Plans Proceeding For J'lem Bus Depot

POST Reporter

Plans to build a IL.400,000 bus depot in Jerusalem are being drawn up by the Municipality, despite the failure thus far to raise any of the necessary capital, it was learned yesterday.

The latest scheme to finance construction of the station was put forward by Eshed, which offered to build the depot if it could retain ownership for about 50 years. The Municipality rejected the proposal, stating once again that it wished to be the sole owner so that it could be in a position to regulate the traffic. The city also recalled its refusal to accept the Jerusalem Economic Corporation as a partner.

No Chance of Grant

Last week, the Minister of Finance informed the Municipality that there was no chance of getting an allocation from the American grant-in-aid funds. The possibility was held out, however, that a guaranteed IL.100,000 loan from the Ottoman Bank might be obtained for the project.

Municipal Councillors feel that the city will be able ultimately to raise about IL.200,000 by bank loans, while the remaining funds will be obtained from potential concessionaires. Additional income may be forthcoming if the proposal to build bus stands on the allotted 12 dunams of land in the projected Hakirya area is accepted.

Meanwhile, a committee of Councillors is drawing up rules for a competition to design the depot.

Additional Clothing Coupons for Passover

A pre-Passover release of 20 additional clothing coupons next Tuesday was announced by a Ministry of Commerce and Industry spokesman in Jerusalem yesterday. He issued a simultaneous warning against rush-buying of textiles not absolutely necessary, indicating that, in the process of releasing frozen stocks, shops will receive many needed products not on hand at present.

The late release of the new coupons, he stated, was the result of delays in the release of the frozen stocks stemming from difficulties in price differential payments. He stressed that present stocks, and those to be allocated to shops before release of the coupons, would be sufficient to cover the coupons.

Clarification on New Cabinet Regulations

The fact that the Cabinet has adopted emergency regulations, authorizing the Minister of Commerce and Industry to exact differential payments for equipment imported before new exchange rates took effect on February 14, does not imply the impending implementation of all these regulations. This was announced yesterday by the Cabinet Secretariat, a day after the Government had adopted the regulations.

The new measures, as reported in *The POST*, are only a framework of authority within which the Minister can act. The question of the scope of the regulations' implementation is still being clarified, the statement indicated.

Government circles, however, are of the opinion that no differential payments will be asked on imports of equipment received, paid for and sold before February 14.

Only 'Folly' Can Now Start War — Attlee

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday (Reuter). — A third world war at this time could be touched off "only by folly," not by malevolence, Mr. Clement Attlee said here last night.

He was interviewed briefly just before speaking here at the Fellowship Commission dinner.

Stevenson, Hassuna Again Air Views

CAIRO, Tuesday. — Foreign Minister Abdul Khalik Hassuna and the British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, met for 40 minutes today at Hassuna's office and continued their "exchange of views," a Foreign Ministry spokesman said. Both parties declined to comment.

Meanwhile, Hilali Pasha's Government continued its "purge" campaign with a Royal decree enforcing the "fortunes law," which requires public officials to list the extent and source of their money, land and other holdings. Another decree issued tonight sanctioned legislation cancelling all exceptional promotions of government employees since October, 1944.

The Ministry of War and Marine said in an official communique last night that an explosion occurred at an Egyptian army depot near Cairo early yesterday. Firemen took 12 hours to get the fire under control.

The cause of the explosion is still unknown but an official inquiry has been started. *(AP, Reuter)*

'AL AHRAM' REPORTS BORDER INCIDENT

CAIRO, Tuesday (UP). — Ten Israel soldiers were reported by the Cairo daily "Al Ahram" to have crossed the frontier in the Gaza area yesterday and killed two Arabs. Egyptian military authorities in Gaza informed the U.N. Truce Supervision observers in the area, the paper states.

(Israel Army authorities last night disclaimed any knowledge of the incident.)

Surprise Coalition Formed in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Tuesday (UP). —Three opposition political parties formed a coalition yesterday against President Miguel Aleman's official party in the July 6 elections.

Two presidential candidates, General Miguel Henriques Guzman and Sr. Vicente Lombardo Toledano, leftist labour leader, joined forces in a surprise manoeuvre to gain power in the new Congress. The coalition welded Gen. Guzman's Conservative Federation of Parties of the Mexican People, Sr. Toledano's extreme left Popular Party and the rightist Revolutionary Party.

The new grouping will oppose congressional candidates sponsored by President Aleman and his "hand-picked" presidential candidate, Sr. Adolfo Ruiz Cortines of the Party of Revolutionary Institutions, which has won every election since 1947.

However, Gen. Guzman, Sr. Toledano and Gen. Candido Aguilar of the Revolutionary Party will continue to campaign independently for the presidency.

U.S. Aid to Stop If Europe Will Not Boost Effort—Eisenhower

PARIS, Monday.—General Dwight D. Eisenhower warned today that American taxpayers will stop pouring money into Europe unless Europeans swiftly improve their own defences against Communism. The General, widely believed to be preparing to leave his job as Supreme Allied Commander to run for the presidency, gave this and other blunt opinions in a 12,000-word summary of his first year of work on building Europe's defences against Communist aggression.

"America cannot continue," he declared, "to be the primary source of munitions for the entire free world." To do so would be militarily unsound.

"Moreover, the U.S. cannot long continue such expenditures without endangering her own economic structure. The soundness of that structure is of vital concern to the entire free world, for its collapse would be a world-shaking tragedy."

In his summing up of NATO defence build-up during the past year, Gen. Eisenhower concluded that the tide of battle in the cold war "has begun to flow our way," but he gave grim warnings of the troubles still ahead before Europe is secure from Communist attack.

"It would be disastrous," he declared, "if the favourable signs and developments presented in this report were to put any man at ease or be mistaken a cause of adequate security, for there is no real security yet achieved in Europe. There is only a beginning."

He said his report on Allied defence buildup in the past year was intended to help any disengagement resulting from the realization that objectives were still a long way off.

The Supreme Commander said on the discouraging side were strained economies in Europe threatening and slowing down previously predicted schedules. But on the encouraging side was an almost revolutionary rise in the morale of armed forces.

The General made no comment in the report on his expected departure shortly to enter the presidential race, but it was believed to be his last major declaration before asking President Truman to accept his resignation as Supreme Commander in Europe.

General Eisenhower drew up this balance sheet of East-West forces a year ago, when SHAPE was formed:

Russia: 175 divisions — 33 of them just beyond the East-West dividing line — of which one-third were mechanized or armored. Twenty thousand planes, 30 naval cruisers, and about 300 submarines. Behind this was a vast sprawling economy still largely harnessed to war.

West Europe: Less than 15 NATO divisions adequately trained and equipped. Less than 1,000 operational planes — many obsolete. The navy was much better off than Russia's.

(AP, Reuter)

Third World War Not Any Closer, Stalin Says

NEW YORK, Tuesday (AP). — Marshal Joseph Stalin sent a message today to a group of American newspaper and radio editors saying a third world war is no nearer than it was two or three years ago, the editors reported.

Marshal Stalin

The message suggested that a meeting of the heads of great powers might be helpful. It declared that the present moment is opportune for the unification of Germany.

The message was a reply to four questions the editors had sent to Marshal Stalin.

The questions and replies were:

"Is a third world war closer now than two or three years ago?"

Reply: "No, it is not."

"Would a meeting of heads of the great powers be useful?"

Reply: "Possibly it would be useful."

"Do you consider the present moment opportune for the unification of Germany?"

Reply: "Yes, I do."

"On what basis is co-existence of capitalism and Communism possible?"

Reply: "Peaceful co-existence of capitalism and Communism is quite possible if there is mutual desire for cooperation, if there is readiness to fulfil undertaken obligations, and if there is observance of the principle of equality and non-interference in the internal affairs of other states."

The message was handed to Mr. James L. Wick, Chairman of the board of the Niles, Ohio, "Daily Times," by Mr Semyon Tsarapkin, alternate Soviet delegate to the U.N., and Mr. A. K. Startsev, Second Secretary of the delegation.

Gasperi Invites Tito For 'Conciliation'

ROME, Tuesday (AP)—Premier Alcide de Gasperi today invited Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia "to seek conciliation" over the bitter Trieste dispute.

The Premier made the offer when replying in the Senate to yesterday's address by Marshal Tito in Belgrade.

Yugoslav Warning

In London today Yugoslav Ambassador Joza Brilow told Foreign Secretary A. Eden that Anglo-U.S. support of Italian claims to the entire Trieste territory would have a serious effect on Yugoslav public opinion.

Yugoslavia is critical of the U.S.-Anglo-Italian talks on Trieste scheduled to open in London on Thursday. Maj.-Gen. Sir John Winterton, Commander of Anglo-U.S. troops in Zone "A" in Trieste, arrived in London by train this morning and promptly went into conference with Foreign Office officials. The British Cabinet also discussed Trieste at a meeting this morning.

Baccouche Persevering In Cabinet Attempt

TUNIS, Tuesday (AP). — Tunisia's newly designated Premier, Salah ed-Din Baccouche, today reaffirmed his willingness to form a new Tunisian Cabinet.

His increasing difficulties in finding moderate Tunisians to fill Cabinet posts are reported to have brought him to the verge of resignation yesterday. However, in his conference with French Resident General Jean de Hauteclocque he was persuaded to continue his task.

The general strike called for today throughout Tunisia by nationalist elements appeared by mid-afternoon to have been only partly successful. In Tunis, the Arab quarters were shut, but elsewhere commercial life moved normally. Public transport was operating.

9 MIG's Shot Down In Korean War

TOKYO, Tuesday (Reuter). — Fifth Air Force pilots claimed today to have destroyed nine Russian-built MIG jets, probably destroyed a tenth and damaged six.

In the truce talks at Panmunjom Staff officers decided that the subcommittee discussing concrete arrangements for a cease-fire would meet on Thursday. They would discuss whether Russia is a neutral in the Korean war and thus to serve on an armistice supervision committee and the long-disputed Communist claim for the right to build military airfields in North Korea during an armistice.

Staff officers discussed prisoner exchange talks at their secret session.

German Delegation Off To Consult Bonn on Sum

Conference Resumes Today

THE HAGUE, Tuesday (INA). — The departure of the German delegation for Bonn early today to consult with their Government marked the end of the first stage of Jewish-German discussions on restitution and indemnification. The Germans are expected to return tonight or tomorrow with a concrete offer in response to the billion dollar global claim of the Israel Government and the world Jewry delegation's claim for $500,000.

By yesterday afternoon the talks had reached a stage where there was nothing left to discuss except the sum itself, an Israel spokesman stated. "We have made it very clear to the Germans that the Israel delegation is interested in continuous and undelayed progress. We have no desire to debate indefinite offers but want a concrete proposal from them. They felt they could not make such a proposal without consulting with their Government first. While no time limit was set, the two delegations agreed that the German answer would be made within the next few days."

It was made clear that discussion of the sum would not finish the work of the present conference but was only the first crossroad. "Once the question of the sum is settled there remain to be agreed the time and method of payment," the spokesman said. "Further developments depend now on the answer the Germans bring back from Bonn and whether Israel's claim is accepted."

2 Helpful Factors

The speed and expeditious manner in which the first stage of the negotiations were completed were due to two factors, according to the spokesman. First was the fact that the Israel delegation arrived so well prepared that what would ordinarily have taken three weeks to clarify was cleared up in less than two. This was largely due to the presence of Dr. G. Josephtal, Absorption Director of the Jewish Agency, who had an answer to every question asked at his fingertips.

The second factor was the goodwill shown by the German delegation in their evident desire to keep things moving. "We set the pace but the Germans kept up with us and made no move which would in any way tend to hold up or delay the talks," the Israel spokesman declared.

Before leaving for Bonn today the German representatives met in a plenary session with the world Jewry delegation and went over the report of the joint subcommittee. "We know exactly where we stand now," a spokesman for the latter said. "We have outlined our points of agreement and disagreement and have clarified our claims. The first stage of our discussions also finished and must now await the return of the Germans from Bonn."

It is not yet known whether the Germans will be ready to resume sessions tomorrow. Confidence is expressed, however, in the resumption of discussions on Thursday.

The world Jewry delegation made it clear this morning that its claims were not on behalf of citizens of those countries which are party to reparations agreements made with Germany in 1945. "In France, for instance, we cannot presume to speak for those Jews who are French citizens, as they are covered by their Government. Those Jews in France who are not citizens will benefit, however," a spokesman said.

Israel Spokesman Denies 'Crisis'

By Maurice Carr,
"Jewish Chronicle" Service

THE HAGUE, Tuesday. — The Israel Delegation spokesman has deprecated newspaper reports which "conveyed the impression of a crisis in the talks with the Germans" and declared emphatically "I am neither optimistic nor pessimistic about the outcome of the Conference.

"Up to Monday things have gone normally, and there is no reason to holler. What happens tomorrow or the day after I don't know. If a crisis blows up, we will be the first to shout."

The spokesman was asked to comment on Boehm's renewed affirmation to me on Sunday night that the German Delegation at The Hague has no authority to assume any commitments whatever, and that before any decision can be taken, the Hague and the London Debt Conference must provide an overall picture of Germany's total obligations and capacity to pay. He answered cryptically, "In the early stages of the talks we reached a formula at the London Conference which provided a satisfactory basis for continuing the Hague talks. Anyway, further development of the negotiations will prove how good this formula was."

Brief Meeting

On Monday morning there was a brief meeting between the Israel and German delegations at which a joint Ad Hoc Committee was set up to discuss definitions for incorporation in any future agreement. One such definition, said the Israel spokesman, will establish that individual Israelis' claims to restitution, indemnification, etc., will not be affected by the German delivery of collective recompense towards Israel.

Tabulation of the Israel billion dollar claim is now concluded.

"We are now approaching the crux of the discussion — the discussion on the global sum. We shall soon know where we stand. There may be a crisis, there may not," said the Israel spokesman.

The joint World Jewry and German subcommittee in its Monday session expected to complete discussion of the 24 items on its agenda comprising the World Jewry Delegation demands, including the half billion dollar claim. The subcommittee will report on the areas of agreement and disagreement.

Security arrangements have been noticeably tightened up. The Kasteel Oudwassenaar staircase leading to the conference room has been placed out of bounds and an Israel security officer has joined the Dutch plainclothesmen in the hall of the hotel.

Israel Minister To Brazil Lands in Rio

RIO DE JANEIRO, Tuesday (UP).—The Israel Minister in Brazil, Mr. David Shaltiel, arrived by a KLM plane today to initiate diplomatic relations with Brazil.

He was greeted at the airport by Chief of Protocol Catelo Branco, Israel Consul Samuel Malamud and members of the Jewish colony.

World Agudat Israel Wants Action

LONDON, Tuesday (INA). — The need for urgent action on the part of the German Federal Republic with regard to 200,000 survivors of Nazi atrocities was stressed in a memorandum to the U.N. Human Rights Commission by the Agudat Israel World Organization, it was learned here today.

Boehm Bomb-Letter Fails to Explode

THE HAGUE, Tuesday (AP). — A mail bomb letter containing 40 grammes of modern explosives was sent to the leader of the German delegation discussing Israel reparations here today, it was announced.

The letter-bomb did not explode when opened, however, and experts explained it was opened on the wrong side for the mechanism to be started. The bomb was opened in the mail room of the German Embassy here.

Addressed to Professor Franz Boehm, the letter contained a note in poor French. It aimed at the impression that it had been sent by representatives of a Jewish organization. The envelope was of a standard size and was stamped by the Amsterdam post office. It immediately created suspicion by its unusual weight.

The Attorney General at The Hague has opened an investigation.

A small piece of string was attached to the front of the envelope, police said. Tearing it off, he added, would have activated a midget battery supplying the power for an explosion.

According to the Dutch police, the letter was written in poor French and full of spelling mistakes. Different typewriters had been used for the envelope and the letter itself. It had been mailed at the central post office in Amsterdam on Sunday night.

GOLDMANN WARNED

BONN, Tuesday (UP). — A Jewish Socialist Deputy, Mr. Jacob Altemeir, said here tonight that Mr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Jewish Congress and a leading figure at the Hague negotiations, had received "threatening letters" from alleged Jewish terrorist groups because he is sitting at the same table as the Germans.

He said that regardless of whether the bomb plots are the work of Jewish or other terrorists, "one could be certain the mass of Jewish people have nothing to do with such criminal means."

Chancellor Adenauer today received members of the Directorate of the Central Council of Jews in Germany who expressed "deepest regrets" concerning the "parcel-bomb" attempt on his life.

Formula Agreed On At Hague Talks

POST Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The preliminary, informative stage of the German reparations talks at The Hague is now understood to be drawing to its close, and a formula for the negotiations has been agreed upon, which should allow for good progress in the actual discussions.

There is understood to be no reason for dissatisfaction in the progress so far made. The Germans have accepted the Israel claim that this country's demand is unique, and have not queried its legal or moral grounds, contenting themselves with requesting additional information on the data presented by the Israel delegation, particularly on the number of immigrants and their absorption, on which the Israel claim was based. It is understood that the German delegation required this information for their Government and Parliament and for their local public.

Questions Legitimate

All questions posed by the Germans, it is learned, were legitimate and did not appear to be for tactical purposes. The delegation appeared satisfied with the answers given by the Israel delegation. Among the information requested was the origin of the immigrants to Israel, the property with which they arrived, how and where they were settled and conditions in Israel when they arrived and now.

At the outset of the talks the Germans are understood to have sought to link the Hague talks with the external debts now in progress in London, and to have stressed Germany's inability to effect payment. The Israel reaction to this is reported to have been sharp, and a formula which ensures the continuation of the talks has now been worked out.

Relations between the Israel and the German delegations are cold and official. There is no contact between the two apart from the official negotiations, but the discussions are now being carried on in a freer atmosphere than at first, which has led to a speeding up of the talks.

Only six or seven formal meetings have so far been held, as both delegations have to report back to their governments.

The negotiations will be broken off for the Passover and Easter recess next week. It is not yet known how long this recess will last, or whether the Israel delegation will return home until the talks are resumed after the holidays.

King Talal Sees Gen. Robertson

AMMAN, Tuesday (ANA). — General Sir Brian Robertson was received in audience by King Talal here last night, in the presence of Glubb Pasha. It is reported that questions of Middle East defence were discussed.

Letourneau Takes Over Top Indo-China Post

PARIS, Tuesday (UP). — M. Jean Letourneau, Minister for Associated States, today took over the powers of High Commissioner for Indo-China, a post formerly held by the late Marshal de Lattre de Tassigny.

A meeting of the Ministerial Council allotted additional responsibility to M. Letourneau when it ruled he should make his headquarters in Indo-China and that a new post—Secretary of State for Associated States—would be created to look after affairs in Paris.

The decision means that the post of High Commissioner as such no longer exists, the task being handled by M. Letourneau as Minister of State for Indo-China.

Reports from Saigon, meanwhile, said French Union forces yesterday killed or captured 500 Vietminh troops encircled between the city of Thudinh and the sea.

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Social & Personal

Rabbi M. Nurock, M.K., left for Geneva by T.W.A. yesterday.

Mr. Moshe Goldberg, Director of Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi, is shortly paying a visit to the U.S. on behalf of the Histadrut.

Mr. Abraham Fuci of the Ministry of Education and Culture has received leave of absence to Britain and France.

Mr. Dov Gazit, head of the Vocational and Agricultural Education Department of the Ministry of Education and Culture, has submitted his resignation. Mr. Gazit will return to his post as inspector of secondary schools and teachers seminaries.

Mr. B. Yannicki has resigned as head of the Hebrew Language Department and the Cultural Office of the Ministry of Education, to take up his post as Executive Secretary of the Cultural Council.

Miss Paula Schur, of UNESCO headquarters in Paris, has arrived in Israel in connection with the sale of UNESCO publications here.

BIRTH

SOELAENDER — To Lory (nee Schmandt), wife of Mr. Rudolf Soelaender, on March 3, 1952, at 1950 Andrews Ave., New York 53, — a son, Gerald Yehuda.

Disney's Bambi Sketch On View in T.A.

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Walt Disney's own sketch of Bambi is among a collection of 40 children's books and accompanying original drawings that have arrived here for a special exhibition in the Tel Aviv Museum.

The exhibition is being presented by the U.S. Information and Education Services from April 7 to 26. The books and drawings have been loaned to the American Government by Dr. Irvin Kerlan, a collector of first editions and illustrated books primarily in the field of children's literature. Dr. Kerlan, a Minnesotan, has over 2,200 books in his collection.

The volumes and drawings now here are a mobile exhibition which will be shown next in Turkey. Israel is the first stop. Children in groups of over 30 and accompanied by a teacher will be admitted to the exhibition free of charge.

SUGAR BEET STUDY

Dr. Brubeker, Director of the Experimental Station for sugar beets in Colorado, U.S.A., arrived recently in Israel to study the possibility of raising sugar beets locally, it was announced yesterday.

Dr. Brubeker, who represents the Food and Agricultural Organization of UN, will work with the Field Crops Division of the Ministry of Agriculture and Development during the next few months in examining soil conditions and climate favourable for growing sugar beets.

BIBLE CONFERENCE CLOSES TODAY

Professors Joseph Klausner and Benjamin Maisler are to be the principal speakers at the closing session today in Jerusalem of the three-day conference of the Israel Biblical Research Society. The conference, which dealt with Biblical research and teaching methods, was attended by over 800 persons, 600 of them from settlements scattered throughout the country.

At the opening session, Mr. Moshe Held spoke on "Cassuto and his Didactic System." Other speakers were Dr. A. Fraenkel, Prof. H. Segal, and Mr. Yitzhak Daniel.

At yesterday's session, the conference was divided into two sections, one dedicated to teaching in elementary schools, and the second in secondary schools.

Lack of Skilled Labour Holds Up Cement Works

POST Reporter

The Shimshon Cement Works near Hartuv, in the Jerusalem Corridor, may not be in full production before the end of the year, Mr. H. Clayton, Resident Engineer of the British firm of consulting engineers, Henry Pooley of London, which is supervising the construction, said in Jerusalem last week.

But for the lack of skilled labour, the pace of construction would have been faster. One of the problems the company will face will be the need for skilled and experienced workers to operate the plant which is highly mechanized.

It is understood that the directors of the Shimshon company are pressing for more rapid construction. This could be done to some extent by introducing two shifts which would, however, increase building costs.

Most of the buildings are already finished, or in the last stages of completion, and about 99 per cent of the machinery is on the spot, of which about 15 per cent is already installed.

The first kiln is to start production before the plant is completed and the first bags of cement may be on the market before the end of 1952, Mr. Clayton said.

The plant's two kilns are to produce 700 tons of cement daily and some 250,000 tons a year. The cement works are so laid out that it will be possible to double output, if and when additional equipment is acquired. Since it may be expected that sooner or later Israel will build dams and canals the company may be called upon to double its output. Cement is now being used mostly for general building purposes only.

Some 400 workers are engaged in the construction of the plant, 200 of them through Solel Boneh and 200 through Messrs. Gushinski, of Haifa.

The total production of the Shimshon works, of the existing Haifa cement plant, and of the Ramle plant, also under construction, will fill Israel's needs, Mr. Clayton pointed out.

About 250 workers are to be employed in the plant and quarry. Some posts, such as the Works Manager of the plant, the Chief Works Engineer and the Chief Chemist, will have to be filled by experts with extensive experience in cement production. Enquiries are being made abroad as well as in Israel for such experts and Messrs. Henry Pooley have been asked to assist the Shimshon company in this respect.

Israel Agents Favour $1-IL.1 Tourist Rate

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Mr. David Melamed, Chairman of the Israel Tourist and Travel Association, told *The Post* that the organization favoured at least a $1—IL.1 rate for tourists. Tourists now change their money at the $1.40—IL.1 rate.

Measures to attract a greater stream of tourists spending hard currency are now being discussed by the Government and travel agents.

"We suggest adoption of the Swiss system," Mr. Melamed said, "through which tourists have to pay for hotels and transport in foreign currency. If they spend a minimum of $200 before they leave, they should get a refund of 30 per cent in foreign currency. This would be in the form of a premium which, we think, would have a good psychological effect."

Mr. Melamed said that one of the most valuable and easily handled forms of tourism is the group booking.

"Group bookings mean payment abroad well in advance," the Association's chairman said. "But there is one great difficulty as far as Israel is concerned — costs and prices fluctuate to such an extent that agents abroad are reluctant to accept party bookings for Israel tours. We are suggesting to the Government that all prices — hotels, transport, tours — be based on the dollar. Agents would be able to accept booking without worrying what the price would be in a month or two."

Scholarships and Loans for Needy Students

A $1,300 loan fund for needy and deserving students of biology has been set up at the Hebrew University in honour of Dr. Giorgio Schreiber, Professor of Biology at the Minas Gerais University at Belo Horisonte in Brazil, and Mme. Schreiber, by a group of their friends.

Professor Schreiber has long been a leading member of the Brazilian Friends of the Hebrew University and has done much to foster contacts between it and scientific institutions in Brazil.

Mr. Jacob Gitlin, of Capetown, and the family of the late Mr. Meyer Joffe, of Capetown, have jointly established a fund of IL.1,000 at the University from which 10 scholarships valued at IL.100 each, will be awarded to needy students over a period of 10 years.

Clearing House For Exports Established

The Export Institute, a clearing house for all export matters, has started functioning its Director, Mr. Felix Manor, stated in Jerusalem.

The Institute, established in accordance with the Government's NEP to increase exports, is a new department of the Ministry of Commerce.

The Institute will absorb the duties of several departments hitherto scattered among several Ministries. The Institute has been granted its own foreign currency budget for the allocation of sums for the purchase of raw materials, Mr. Manor said.

The Institute will not only grant export licences, but will also supervise the quality of exports, and provide information on foreign markets.

The Export Institute will permit the exporter to keep a part of his foreign currency earnings for purchase of additional equipment or raw materials for products earmarked for the local market, as he sees fit, Mr. Manor said.

The Institute's budget will be covered by the Ministry of Commerce. As present, 30 of the authorized 70-man staff are already at work.

STRIKE POSTPONED

TIBERIAS, Tuesday. — The strike of Magen David Adom workers, scheduled for this week over a demand for payment of their wages overdue since January, and improved social benefits, has been postponed for ten days. The Tiberias Labour Council has agreed to postpone the strike to give the Magen David Adom a final chance to settle its payroll.

The debt owed to the employees totals about IL.2,500, while the budget of the organization is about IL.12,000, mainly paid for by the Tiberias and neighbouring local authorities.

At the Cinema

"A Foreign Affair" (Mograbi, Tel Aviv), is Billy Wilder's 1948 satire on the American occupation of Germany. Wilder sends a delegation of American congressmen to Berlin to investigate the morale of the U.S. forces there. Conflict is brought into the inquiry through the fact that a congresswoman belongs to the commission. When this decent lady (Jean Arthur) falls in love with an American colonel who in turn has a liaison with a Nazi-diseuse, the moral defects become painfully obvious.

Occasionally the film is extremely witty, with Marlene Dietrich giving a strangely convincing and poignant performance as the bar singer, Erika von Schluetow.

Danny Kaye Farce

"On the Riviera" (Allenby) shows again that it is not so easy to exploit Danny Kaye's enormous talents for the film medium, as his antics are apt to delay dangerously the action of any normal film. In this farce (which is based on an old Viennese play by Hans Adler and Rudolf Lothar) Kaye plays a comedian and, simultaneously, a man who looks exactly like himself — a famous pilot. In this rather "normal" role, the actor is quite funny by exposing the different mannerisms of both characters — but it is not the hilarious extravaganza we are waiting for. Only the marionette-sequence is Danny Kaye seen at his best. Gene Tierney is more than simply the star's assistant.

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ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 491 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 413.5, 31.3 & 212 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.59, 12.00, 1.30, 6.15, 8.35 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic: 9.30 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m. Russian: (including News): 8.00 a.m., 7.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies. 8.30 Oriental Music (R). 8.45 Close Down. 10.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R). 11.00 Requests (R). 11.40 Housewives' Choice. 12.02 Programme for Shop-talk. 12.15 Concert Hall: Violin Concerto (Gruenberg): "Rumor & Jubilo" (Diamond). Break for Music (R). 5.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety (R). 4.30 Music (R). 5.00 Vocal Recital: Lily Rachat. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Carnegie Memories. 7.45 Interlude. 7.50 In the World of Technics. 8.00 "Galei Zahal" Orchestra. 8.34 Bible Reading. 8.40 "The New Economic Policy." 8.45 Talk. 9.00 What's Your Line? 9.30 Recital: Irma Rauterberg (Piano) and Lucian Nowlan (Chest). 10.00 Classical Requests (R). 11.55 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

English News. 1.45 p.m., 10.30 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Violin Recital: Yehudi Menuhin (R). 4.45 Talk. 5.00 Programme for Youth. 5.30 Second Thoughts on Past Literature. 5.50 Science Studio. 6.50 Notes. 6.00 Agricultural News. 6.15 Close Down.

Rad. Educ. English: 11.3 M.: 11.15 p.m. News and 11.30 Kibbutz Ha'ad Choir. 11.45 Programme Report.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (30.96 & 42.85 M.): 6.30 p.m. News. 6.40 News Commentary. 6.45 Short Programme.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (720, 215 & 41.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Opening. 6.35 Visual Recital: Yisrael Shoo-Hoon. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Know Your Music. 8.00 "Galei Zahal" Orchestra. 8.30 News. 8.45 Tomorrow's "Mivtzaim". 9.00 Interlude. 9.05 "Know Your Land." 9.30 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

WEEK-END ARMY PROGRAMMES

Saturday: 9.00 a.m. Reveille. 9.15 Morning Prayers. 9.30 Programme Review. 10.00 Close Down.

Sunday: 9.00 a.m. Reveille. 9.15 Morning Prayers. 9.30 Programme Review. 10.00 Close Down.

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Tuesday, April at 8.30 p.m.

Yesterday's Press Review:

Efficiency Must Be Test in Dismissals

Commenting on the dismissal of a thousand Government employees "Al Ha'mishmar" (Mapam) says that the administration might use this as a pretext to purge employees who are not considered "safe" politically. Such a criterion should be emphatically rejected, the paper states, and efficiency should be the decisive test. Also dismissals should be made only with the consent of the union of Government employees. If a thousand employees are arbitrarily dismissed, then it must be said that there are surely better ways open to the administration to save money.

Moreover, it is possible that the Government might accept new employees in the places of those who have been dismissed. If the Government seriously intends to carry out its decision, care should be taken that there are no cases of arbitrary dismissal. Priority should be strictly observed and nobody should be fired because of his political convictions.

The Building Situation

Both "Ha'aretz" (Independent) and "Davar" (Histadrut) deal with the situation on the building market. "Ha'aretz" says that the strong demand on the market is one of the main inflationary factors in our economy. It caused a considerable rise in the living standards of several thousand building workers and a far larger share of the profits went to several hundred contractors. As long as deflation does not cause a fall in the demand building must be restricted by administrative means. Priority should be given to public buildings; schools and hospitals as well as army requirements. There exists a "common front" of contractors and building workers who oppose the restrictions on private construction, announced by Dr. D. Joseph some six weks ago. If the Government intends to fight inflation efficiently, it must not delay any longer the publication of these regulations.

"Davar" says that the association of building contractors is threatening to "strike" and that under this pressure the Economic Council has decided to introduce several changes into the building regulations soon to be published. The building contractors have been encouraged by this partial victory. They are demanding priority for speculative building — rather than for public buildings and other vital works (the housing of new immigrants etc.). However, says the paper, the better private contractors work mainly in public projects they have most of the technical equipment and employ most workers, and they will not "strike." The paper notes that there has been an undesirable development on the building market during the last few weeks — in Tel Aviv alone the foundations have been laid for a hundred houses, and flats are being sold or leased for exorbitant prices. "Davar" calls upon the Government to demonstrate that it really wishes to carry out the NEP and that it will not be intimidated by the threats of the "hunters of inflationary profits."

"Hatzofeh" (General Zionist) says that 6000 appeals were received by the Jerusalem Municipality following the recent publication of tax estimates for house and landowners in the capital. This means that almost every house owner is protesting his assessment. According to the new estimates, taxes will be from 10 to 15 times higher than last year. As everybody wishes to appeal most first pay IL.1, the Municipality has already collected IL.6000.

Hapoel Athletes Set Four Israel "Highs"

Light athletic tournaments on the Stadium ground Tel Aviv last Friday and Saturday produced performances of a high standard and brought four new Israel records from Hapoel athletes. The tourney once again brought together men and women performers from both Hapoel and Maccabi, while Hapoel youth fought out the finals of the Hapoel Youth Championships at the same time.

The hero of the meet was David Tabak, of Bet Oved Hapoel, who set up two new Israel records. He bettered his own previous best of 10.8 seconds set last year, in clocking 10.7 seconds in the 100 metres. He then covered the 200 metres in 22.5 seconds to beat the 1947 record set by Yehuda Gabai, of Ramat Gan Maccabi. Heral Hapoel's hop, step and jump star, Berl Silberberg, improved on the record in this event by 0.2½ metres when he covered 13.52 metres, thus breaking the 13.28 metres set by Itzhaki, of Jerusalem Hakoah, in 1947.

Girl's Outstanding Display

Lea Horowitz, of Kiryat Haim Hapoel, gave an outstanding display and included a record among her efforts. She timed 12.4 seconds in the 80 metres hurdles to beat fellow Hapoelite Ruth Herschler's 1950 "high" in this event. But her timing was below the minimum set by the Israel Olympic Committee for this country's Olympic "possibles." This Kiryat Haim lass also was well placed in the women's high jump and took three firsts in the girls' events.

Ria Bornstein, of Haifa Hapoel, beat the standing record in the women's shot-put with a distance of 11.70 metres but this cannot be considered as a new record because the shot was not up to regulation weight. Other good efforts were by Avraham Hecker (T.A. Macc. North) with his 9 min. 26.6 second first in the 3,000 metres; his clumbate Barouch Habas with a shot-put of 13.31 metres; A Glin (Petah Tikva Hapoel), 40.58 metres in the discus throw; and A. Glick, Tel Aviv Hapoel, with his 2 min. 02.2 sec. 800 metres.

RESULTS: MEN: 100 m: 1) D. Tabak (B. Oved Hap), 10.7 secs (new record); 2) Y. Nussbaum (T.A. Hap), 11.3; 3) D. Za'ira (T.A. Hap), 11.5. 200 m: 1) D. Tabak (B. Oved Hap), 22.5 secs (new record); 2) A. Glick (T.A. Hap), 22.7; 3) Y. Fresner (Givatayim Hap), 23.6. 800 m: 1) A. Glick (T.A. Hap), 2.02.2; 2) D. Eisen (T.A. Hap), 2.02.6; 3) A. Fesner (B.M.A.), 2.02.9.

5000 m: 1) A. Hacker (Macc. Nth), 9.26.6; 2) Amzia (Afula Hap), 9.28.8; 3) D. Amrani (Rehovot Hap), 9.42.8. Relay 4 x 100m: 1) Hapoel men, 44.3 secs; 2) Hapoel youth, 46.4. Hammer-throw: 1) Polkanki (Hap), 38.60m; 2) Y. Meiron (Hap), 38.15; 3) Levanon (Hap), 30.91. Discus throw: 1) A. Glin (Petah Tikva Hap), 40.58 m; 2) D. Rabinowitz (B.M.A.), 37.01. Hop, step and jump: 1) B. Silberberg (Heral Hap), 13.52 m. (new record); 2) A. Cohen (Rehovot Macc), 11.68. Shot-put: 1) B. Habas (Macc. Nth), 13.31 m; 2) Z. Edelstein (Givat Hashloska Hap), 13.01; 3) A. Glin (P. Tikva Hap.), 12.17. High jump: 1) T. Yanover (Macc. Nth), 1.70m; 2) A. Kleinstub (Macc. Nth), 1.70. WOMEN: 80 m. hurdles: 1) Lea Horowitz (Kiryat Haim Hap), 12.4 secs (new record); 2) Tamar Matal (T.A. Macc), 13.3. Shot-put: 1) Ria Bronstein (Haifa Hap), 11.70m.; 2) Olga Wittenberg (R.Gan Macc), 11.60; 3) Atara Anavi (Hap), 10.35. High jump: 1) T. Stutz (T.A. Macc), 1.42 m; 2) L. Horowitz (Kir. Haim Hap), 1.45 m; 3) Anuva Krivitski (Hap), 1.35. GIRLS: 60m.: 1) Lea Horowitz (Kir. Haim Hap), 8.1 secs; Shot-put: 1) L. Horowitz, 8.43 m; Long jump: 1) L. Horowitz, 4.93m. YOUTH: 100m: 1) Rafi Silberstein (T.A. Hap), 11.6 secs. 1,000 m.: 1) A. Cohen (Givat Hap), 3 min. 54.9 secs; Long jump: 1) A. Patt (K. Haim Hap), 6.23 m.

Kiriat Haim Clinch Hapoel Youth Title

Kiriat Haim Hapoel clinched the Hapoel Youth light Athletics League championship, the final of which were fought out by over 200 young athletes from 11 Hapoel branches over the week-end. Kiriat Haim tallied 212 points, in front of Tel Aviv, with 167, and Jerusalem, 163.

Among the best results were: Youths: 100 m.: A. Pazi (K. Haim), 11.5 secs.; Long jump: A. Pazi (K. Haim), 6.25 m. 1,000m.: A. Cohen (Gvat), 2:54.5; Shot-put: A. Carmeli (K. Haim), 13.94 m.; Swedish Relay Race: Tel Aviv, 2:15.4. Girls 60 m.: L. Horowitz (K. Haim), 8.1 secs; Long jump: L. Horowitz (K. Haim), 4.93; Shot-put: Ataza Anavi (K. Haim), 9.46m; Relay 4 x 60 m.: Kiryat Haim and Jerusalem tied at 34.1 secs.

The victorious Oxford University Boat Race crew had as No. 6 an American, Ken Kentzler, of Michigan. This was the first Oxford win since 1948 and their fifth since 1913. The overall standing now is 53 for Cambridge, 44 for Oxford, with one dead-heat in 1877. Exactly 40 years ago the Oxford Dark Blues also won in a snowstorm.

EXPRESS PHOTO

Graduate Among World Challengers

Chick Davey, a graduate of Michigan State College, undefeated in 32 professional bouts, scored a technical knockout over former world lightweight champion, Ike Williams, in the fifth of a 10-round bout in Chicago last week.

The victory shot Davey to the top among challengers for the welter title. The fight was halted by the referee with Williams staggering and unable to defend himself from Davey's relentless two-fisted attack.

Swimmers Course In May

A course for swimmers and swimming teachers is being arranged by the Physical Training Department to take place during May in Haifa. The course will be of 14 days duration and all qualified swimmers or teachers may participate. A fee of IL.5 will be levied and all pupils will provide their own accommodation and food.

Famed Negro Hoopsters To Play in Israel

NEW YORK, Tuesday (USIS) — One of the most skilful and picturesque athletic groups in the U.S., the Harlem Globetrotters, leaves in mid-April on another of its international tours, which will include a visit to Israel on August 19 and 20.

The Globetrotters, Negro athletes who have entertained big audiences in many countries, currently are making a 15-city tour of the U.S. On its completion they will leave for South America, Europe, North Africa and the Middle and Far East. The tour will last into October.

The manager of the team, Abe Saperstein, recalls previous successes the team has scored on overseas visits. While it usually wins the majority of games it plays, he pointed out that much of its satisfaction does not come simply from athletic victory but from playing a part in the role of sports as an international common denominator.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON TUESDAY

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The monthly sale of unclaimed lost property will take place at the Northern Police Station, 223 Rehov Dizengoff in Tel Aviv, at 9 o'clock on Thursday morning.

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For paying the debt of a Canadian tourist who left the country, a Haifa resident received a food parcel. He was fined IL.5 by the Haifa Magistrate's Court yesterday.

SWISS EXCHANGE RATES

The quotation of the Israel pound remained steady on the Geneva Exchange throughout the last month, at 2.05 Swiss Francs (47 cents).

Quotations on March 29, in Swiss Francs, were:—

United States (dollar)	4.36
Canada (dollar)	4.19½
Great Britain (pound)	10.27½
France (100 fr.)	0.98¾
West. Germany (100 mk)	92.50
Belgium (100 fr.)	8.80
Holland (100 guilders)	104.50
Sweden (100 kroner)	74.80
Italy (100 lire)	0.64½
Austria (100 sch.)	14.30
Czechoslovakia (100 cr.)	6.95
Denmark (100 kr.)	54.50
Norway (100 kr.)	53.00
Egypt (Eg. pound)	9.25
Israel (Isr. pound)	2.05
Spain (100 pesetas)	9.25
Portugal (100 escudos)	14.50
Argentina (100 pesos)	17.00
Brazil (100 cruzeiros)	13.00
Turkey (Turk. pound)	1.00

Where to go

JERUSALEM

8-4: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: Routes, Bus 3A. Feeding times: 2-3 p.m.
9-1; 2-5: Exhibition—Sculptures by Constant, Paris: Bezalel Museum.
9-3; 4-6: Archaeological Exhibition: Dept. of Antiquities: 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-5: Sanhedria Tomb.
10-1; 4-7: Exhibition of paintings by Y. Krise and the permanent exhibition by Jerusalem artists: Artists' House.
11-1: Exhibition of Posters by S. Grundman: New Bezalel School.
11.30-12.30: Film Shows of Israel, Keren Hayesod Head Office.
8.30 p.m.: Club Social for tourists and members: Special Feature — Musical Excursions: Israel Touring Club, Talbieh.

TEL AVIV

3-6 p.m.: Exhibitions—Paintings by A. Avni: Sculptures by Yankelevitz. Also Exhibition of Argentine painters. Museum.
5 p.m.: "The Glass Menagerie": Chamber Theatre: Mograbi Hall.
7 & 9.30 p.m.: "Li-La-Lo News": Li-La-Lo Theatre: Joseph Hoffetz Hall.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-5.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.
4-7 p.m.: Exhibition of paintings by Melitta Schiffer. Artists Pavilion, 32 Rehov Hadar, (opp. Carmelia Court).

Jerusalem Cinemas

at 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARMON: The Way of All Flesh.
EDEN: Vengeance Valley.
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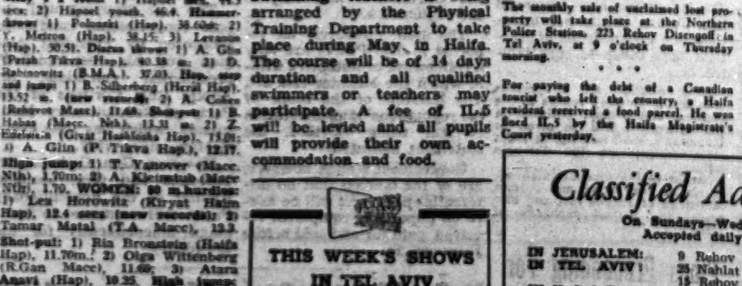

THIS WEEK'S SHOWS IN TEL AVIV
9 Rehov Ramos.
Education Centre Hall
2nd SERIES, Thursday, April 3.
1st & 2nd SERIES, Friday, April 4.
"BATAILLE DE RAILS"
Directed by Rene Clement.
Registration for the 4th series continues at Mikra Studio, 95 Allenby Road, Tel Aviv, 5—7 p.m.

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Coming Music Events
April 3 at 8.30 p.m. — Piano Duet Programme with Sonia Valins & Claude Abravanel
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April 4, 7 to 11 p.m. — "The Passion According to St. Matthew," by Bach.
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Today's Post Bag

WEATHER

	°A	B	C	D
Mt. Carmel	63	19	25	23
Nahariya	58	13	23	21
Tel Aviv Port	66	12	21	20
Lydda Airport	63	9	28	26
Jerusalem	56	11	28	25
Beersheba	70	9	30	28

Forecast: Continues fair. Slightly cooler.

°(A) Monday at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum temp. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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334 immigrants are due in the s.s. Transylvania from Rumania in Haifa Port on Thursday.

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567 tons of frozen fish and 950 tons of potatoes were due in Haifa port tomorrow from Denmark. 1,500 tons of wheat are due over the weekend from Turkey.

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An Occupational Therapy exhibition will be held at Bet Hahalutzot in Jerusalem on April 13 and 14.

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A "flying boxcar," a giant American military cargo plane, arrived at Lydda Airport yesterday with four jeeps for the American Embassy. It will leave in a few days with old jeeps.

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The public property of the Beit Vegan company, which preceded the Bat Yam Local Council, was formally turned over to the Council yesterday.

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A special postal agency will be opened on Mt. Zion this Sunday for the convenience of holiday visitors.

Boy Missing

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — An 11-year old boy, Itzhak Horovitz, who walked out of his home in the American housing project in Ramat Itzhak, near here, on Sunday, has not been heard of since. His parents, who yesterday alerted the police, could give no clue as to his possible whereabouts.

When last seen he was wearing shorts, a white shirt with bright red spots and boots. He is 150 centimetres tall, has brown hair and brown eyes.

DOCTORS QUERY JOSEPH'S STATEMENT

The Israel Medical Association yesterday sent the Minister of Commerce and Industry a communication on the latter's Knesset statement last week, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday. The Minister had stated that the Medical Association secretary had informed him that the Conference had not adopted any resolutions on nutrition.

All newspapers, however, carried the text of a conference resolution expressing "deep concern over low nutritional standards." Queried about this contradiction, a Ministry spokesman stated that the Minister had not received the information from the secretary of the Medical Association in writing but by phone.

Medical Association sources last night declined to divulge details of their letter to the Minister. It is understood, however, that a text of the nutrition resolution adopted by the Medical Conference was included.

STATE DOCTORS' SALARIES

Dr. Yosef Burg, Minister of Health, received representatives of the State Physicians Organization yesterday and discussed salary problems; it was announced yesterday.

The Ministry is trying to establish standard conditions for all physicians employed in public institutions, it was said.

NEW AFFORESTATION BODY PROPOSED

The establishment of a Competent Authority to deal with all afforestation matters was discussed yesterday by the Joint Agriculture and Settlement Planning Committee meeting in Jerusalem.

During the meeting, the Committee considered the question of raising agave, a plant that can supply all Israel's needs in rope and cord.

The proposed Competent Authority will coordinate all afforestation which at present is divided among the Ministry of Agriculture and Development, the Jewish National Fund, and other institutions.

The Authority will decide what sites are to be planted after considering the following factors: utilizing barren soil, soil erosion, security, encouraging new settlements, afforestation methods, as well as publicizing the value of afforestation.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Development, the Jewish Agency, and the Jewish National Fund are represented on the Committee.

ITALIAN CREDITS

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — In his press conference at Lydda Airport yesterday, Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett did not refer to possibilities of a loan from Italy, but to prospects for credits from banks and other commerical sources in Italy, a Foreign Ministry spokesman pointed out here today.

Ration News

JERUSALEM — Frozen fish: 150 grams. Tin. Visitors: cl. Bonuses: Aleph cards: one kilogram. Bet. Gimel. Dalet. and Heh cards, 250 grams. Vod 20. Visitors. 19 Zayin. 1. 2. Bonuses: 2 Kilograms. Kaf Zayin. 1. 2. 11. Visitors. 19 Zayin. 1. 3. 4. 6. 8. 11. TEL AVIV — Meat for ill persons: 500 grams. Hei Gimel 16. Poultry for ill persons: 500 grams. Het Aleph 1. Het Bet 1. Eggs: 6 eggs. Zayin 9. Bonus: 2. 11. 12.

HAIFA and SAMARIA — Poultry for ill persons 500 grams. Het Bet 15. Het Bet 18. Lentils for expectant mothers one kilogram. 5. 6 from new books. Kaf Zayin from old cards.

Huleh Drainage Work Restarted

TIBERIAS, Tuesday. — Work on the Huleh drainage scheme, interrupted during the rainy winter season, has been resumed. A dredger mounted on a barge has been brought up for digging in areas that are inaccessible to land-borne excavators.

The main activity is concentrated near the recently completed dam south of Lake Huleh. Operations on deepening the Jordan bed north of the Benot Ya'akov Bridge are also continuing.

Workers have found a number of elephant tusks on the river bed. The tusks, believed to be relics of a pre-historic period, are in good condition.

Denmark Donates Lung Hospital to Israel

A 225-bed hospital for lung patients, Etanim, will be opened at Dier Amar in the Jerusalem Corridor, on April 28, it was announced yesterday. The children's wing, to have 125 beds, will be dedicated to the memory of the late King Christian X of Denmark, who intervened to save Jews during the Nazi occupation. The equipment for the children's wing was donated by the Danish Government, which itself gave half the necessary funds, and conducted a drive among Jews and non-Jews alike for the rest.

Mr. Hans Poul Hoffmeyer, Danish Minister to Israel, will represent his Government at the opening ceremony.

Building Contractors Name Date of Strike

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Building contractors will stop work for three days, from Friday to Monday, April 11 to 14, "as a protest against the policy of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and its Department of Building."

The announcement was made today by the "emergency committee," which was chosen by a country-wide meeting of contractors last Sunday to fight the "building law" which the Government is expected to promulgate shortly.

MINISTRY INVALIDATES EXPROPRIATION PLAN

A recent decision of the Petah Tikva Municipal Council to permit requisition without compensation of up to one-third of any plot needed for road construction or similar purposes has been declared invalid by the Ministry of the Interior.

In a letter sent to the chairman of the Town Planning Committee, the Ministry's legal adviser pointed out that the present maximum of 25 per cent could not be raised without amendment of the existing town planning ordinance.

CHILDREN CELEBRATE

PETAH TIKVA, Tuesday. — Six Army planes dropped thousands of paper butterflies over a "spring celebration" of 1,500 Petah Tikva kindergarten children, held at the stadium here today.

A military band played for the tots, while older children staged dances and games for them.

The whole group later paraded through the streets of the town.

SEARCH FOR MOST POLITE DRIVERS

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM). — Police traffic headquarters are to search for the four most polite drivers in Israel, in a special "politeness month" to be held shortly.

The country is to be divided into the four areas of Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Haifa and Tiberias. In each area a panel of judges will tour the roads, awarding points to all polite and careful drivers found. At the end of the month the results will be analysed and the winners named.

Charity Organization Fined For Land Sale

The Jerusalem District Court yesterday fined "Tadhaz," a charitable organization, IL.800, and two of its directors IL.100 each, for having undertaken to sell 500 dunams of land in the Tiberias area to foreigners, without securing the permission of the Treasury. The land was sold for IL.40,000.

The Court held that the contract entered into by Tadhaz and Mr. M. Glickman Porush representing the foreign purchasers in Israel, was the complete and final expression of Tadhaz's intention to sell the land without a licence. Had the contract at least contained a proviso that the agreement would be executed subject to the permission of the Treasury, no action could have been taken against the association, it was stated.

Noting that the bargain had not been made for private gain and that the violation of the law was inadvertent, the Court held however that the Defence (Finance) Regulations 1941, under which the accused were tried, is one of Israel's most potent weapons in the fight against foreign currency contraventions and must therefore be taken seriously.

Dr. B. Halevi, President of the District Court, presided. Mr. M. Volinsky prosecuted.

Police, Horses, Dogs In Special Display

TEL AVIV, Tuesday—Mounted policemen, police horses and dogs went on display at a special show staged by the police at the Bet Dagon station this afternoon. The outstanding event of the day was an exhibition of jumping, won by three Jerusalemites, Constables Jamal Shubash and Kamal Mahmud and First Inspector Shabach Bachir, who won first, second and third place respectively. All three are Circasians.

Other items in the display were "pig-sticking," horses dancing to music provided by the police band, and a riding display.

The dogs demonstrated their skill at jumping and also staged a mock attack on two thieves.

The smoothness of the show was marred when, in a double riding contest with two men on one horse, Constable Abdul Tubik of Jerusalem fell and was knocked unconscious when hit by the hind legs of his mount. He was taken to the Sarafand Hospital, where his condition was tonight reported satisfactory.

Those present included Police Minister Behor Shitreet; the British Minister, Sir Francis Evans; the Australian Minister, Mr. C. W. Fuhrman; the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Yigael Yadin; the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Y. Sachar; and senior army and police officers.

Pregnant Woman In Police Station Scene

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A pregnant woman, Mrs. H. Zabari, who claimed that she had been beaten up by the police at the Northern Division station in Rehov Yehuda Halevi here last Sunday, had, according to the police, attempted to help her husband escape.

The husband, Raphael Zabari, 26, was at the time of the incident imprisoned in the station on several charges of theft. He has allegedly had numerous previous convictions and had twice escaped from prison.

His wife had come with a lawyer to see him, and after the interview had remained at the station. She had reportedly been told to leave but refused to do so, and finally hit a police sergeant with her bag. According to the police she injured herself in the face with the metal corner of the bag. She then began screaming hysterically.

Meanwhile her husband shook himself loose from his guards but was caught at the exit of the building.

The woman then ran into the street claiming that she had been hit and injured inside the station by several policemen.

SERIOUS CHARGE

A 21-year old youth suspected of unnatural practices was taken into custody by Jerusalem Police yesterday on complaints of a 13-year old youngster.

Police were told that the suspect, a resident of the Talpiot Transition Camp, had maltreated the younger boy for the past half year. The boy turned to the police only after his father had learned of the situation. (Itim)

KNOWN PICKPOCKETS HELD IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, Tuesday —Four known pickpockets were apprehended in the centre of the town here. They worked in pairs, each of which followed closely persons who had withdrawn large sums of money from the bank.

The pickpockets reportedly operate on each first of the month when bank business is brisk.

APPEAL UPHELD

The Supreme Court yesterday upheld an appeal against a ten months prison term imposed on Z. Rosenthal by the Haifa District Court for dealing in controlled goods and buying them at black market prices.

The Court of Appeal declared there was no proof that Rosenthal, who had been approached by relatives for a loan of IL.300 to purchase 300 kilograms of sugar at IL.1.30 per kilogram, was aware of the purpose of the loan.

HAIFA HOUSEWIFE

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Crash Victims Brought Home

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday (Itim). — The national flag over the airport building here was lowered to half-mast this morning as the bodies of Dr. Itzhak Bezner and Mr. David Otzeri, the two Israel Government officials killed in the K.L.M. air crash near Frankfurt on March 22, were brought back to Israel for burial. The coffins were flown here from Amsterdam in a special compartment attached beneath a K.L.M. Constellation aircraft.

The crew of the aircraft formed a guard of honour and saluted as the coffins were carried aboard waiting tenders. The two wreaths on the coffins were from the K.L.M. company and from the Israel delegation to the reparations talks in The Hague, which Dr. Bezner was on his way to join, as well as from the Israel Legation at The Hague and the Consulate in Amsterdam.

The bodies were escorted from Amsterdam by Mr. Y. Abrahamov, Israel representative of the airline.

Dr. Bezner's widow, Mr. Otzeri's relatives, the Netherlands Minister to Israel, Jonkheer P.M.P. van Karnebeek, and the Legation Attache, M. Johannes C. Van den Berg, Mr. Yochanan Beham, Deputy Director-General of the Ministry of Finance, and many officials of the Ministry, were at the airport to pay their respects. A guard of honour of Finance Ministry officials was mounted around the tender bearing the body of Dr. Bezner, which remained at the airport until noon, when it was taken to the Hadassah Municipal Hospital.

At 2 o'clock the funeral cortege left the hospital for Hakirya, where it stopped briefly before the Ministry of Finance building, on which the black-draped national flag flew at half mast. Mr. M. Schattner spoke on behalf of the Finance Minister. Interment took place at the Nahlat Itzhak cemetery.

The body of Mr. Otzeri was taken from the airport for burial at the new cemetery at Kiriat Shaul, near the grave of his mother who died recently.

FIRST ISOTOPES ARRIVE

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The first radioactive material for industrial purposes in this country, a few milligrammes of cobalt isotope from the atomic pile at Harwell, England, arrived in the s.s. Danby this morning, for use by the Palestine Electric Corporation.

The isotope has a projecting power of 400 milli-Curie and will be used by the P.E.C. for photographing welds in metals. Its ray can penetrate several inches of steel. The P.E.C. has hitherto used X-ray for this purpose, but the use of isotope is infinitely more suitable and the instruments needed are cheaper and very mobile.

The case containing the almost weightless material had to be unloaded by winch. The cost of the radioactive cobalt is about IL.10.

Upward Trend In Immigration

Some 4,166 immigrants arrived in March — thus reversing the downward trend in the monthly immigration rate, according to a tentative summary issued yesterday by the Jewish Agency.

In February, 1,450 immigrated; in January, 3,520; in December of last year, 3,843; and in November, 5,702.

In March, 1,973 immigrants came from Rumania; 1,267 from Iran (including Afghanistan and others); 577 from North Africa; and 49 from Bulgaria.

Some 2,780 arrived by ship, 1,312 by air, and 14 by unspecified methods.

During March, 2,956 tourists and 1,002 residents entered the country, and 2,176 tourists and 2,243 residents left, according to figures released by the Ministry of the Interior.

'Operation Ma'barot' Closed by Army

"Operation Ma'barot" — the armed forces' programme of emergency winter assistance to immigrant camps — was officially closed for the current year in a special Order of the Day issued on Monday by the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Yigael Yadin, it was announced yesterday.

Stressing the national, pioneering and security importance of the absorption of the country's new immigrants, the Chief of Staff lauded the role of men and women in all branches of the service — easing the burden imposed on *ma'barot* dwellers by the winter's storms and floods. Special note was made of the educational significance of the child-care programme.

Israel Can Be Self-Sufficient Through Negev, US Expert Says

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — Former Reclamation Commissioner Harry Bashore said yesterday that there is enough water available for the Negev to make Israel self-sustaining agriculturally.

Mr. Bashore, member of a three-man advisory board of engineers appointed by the Israel Government, said, "Water is there, and land is there. It is just a matter of financing." He said, however, that aside from economic difficulties, progress had been "rather slow."

Mr. Bashore has just returned to the U.S. following a three-week inspection of Israel water resources and reclamation work in progress. He said there are "hundreds of thousands of acres of fine land" in the Negev and probably 500,000 acres can be irrigated successfully.

The Israelis "have a technical ability of a high order," but seem "to lack confidence in striking a practical balance of their plans," Mr. Bashore said.

He said that irrigation projects would have to be combined with reforestation works for make the undertaking a success. But he expressed hopes for great yields from the Negev which, he said, is very rich in minerals.

Mr. Bashore said that he expects Israel to join the ranks of sugar exporters, and indicated that exports of olive products and citrus can be increased considerably. He declined to answer questions about the chances of finding oil in the Negev on the grounds that he is not an oil geologist. But he said that he had talked to petroleum men who were optimistic about the possibility.

Britain Plans Record Metal Imports in 1952

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The British Iron and Steel Federation said that record imports of ore, were being planned for Britain in 1952.

The Federation's 1951 report said discussions had been held with U.S. steel-makers and the U.S. Government "to ease U.S. pressure on traditional European sources of supply." In addition the output of British ore would be increased.

With small prospects of improved German scrap supplies, efforts were being concentrated on the expansion of pig-iron output, the report declared. The Federation warned that the outlook for raw materials in the immediate future remained precarious.

Labour Defeated On Iron, Steel Prices

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter).— After a stormy debate in the House of Commons last night the Government defeated a Socialist motion to annul its order increasing the prices of iron and steel by an average of £4 a ton. The voting was 308 to 174.

During the debate Supply Minister Duncan Sandys said if price increases were not made the publicly-owned steel companies would have to meet increased costs of £70m. out of gross profits of £80m. sterling.

FOREIGN SAILORS IN ISRAEL SHIPS

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The number of foreign sailors employed in Israel ships has now been reduced to what it was before the start of the seamen's dispute, Mr. A. Shari, Seamen's Union secretary, told the Histadrut Trades Union Department here today. He said that the sailors who went on strike were being returned to sea-going jobs according to seniority and family status.

Mr. Shari said that the labour contract signed with Shoham improved conditions and wages. A special committee had been set up to investigate living conditions aboard ships, he said.

The Trades Union Department today also discussed legislation for arbitration in labour disputes, and ratified a wage scale for social workers.

DRAMATIC MIDNIGHT CHASE IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, Tuesday—After a dramatic midnight chase through the deserted streets of Tel Aviv, a police car caught up with a fleeing motorcyclist in Rehov Rambam last night.

The race began when a police patrol, seeing a man act suspiciously in Rehov Elath, stopped him and began questioning him about the contents of the parcel he was holding. The man, Y. Kapun, 30, hit one of the constables and escaped on his motorcycle.

After his arrest, Kapun's parcel was found to contain 400 eggs — all broken.

-And the Music Goes 'Round and Round'

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — For five weeks the radio played to a dead woman in her South-West London flat.

Police made this discovery last night when they found 29-year-old Mrs. Joyce Larratt lying dead in bed at her flat at Streatham. The radio was still on and an electric fire was burning. Police believe the room had been like this for 35 days and nights since Mrs. Larratt disappeared.

It has not yet been found what caused her death.

Palestinian Arabs Damn Moslem League

Following its recent attacks on the Arab League, the Old City daily, "Falastin," has now turned its shafts against the new Moslem League sponsored by Pakistan. Monday's editorial claims that after the complete failure of the Arab League there is no reason to hope that a Moslem league could do any better.

"Palestine Arabs were among the most optimistic when the Arab League was founded, and we used to threaten the Jews with it."

"The new league will follow in the old's footsteps, so we might as well stay quiet."

General Zionists To Confer

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The national conference of the General Zionists is to open at the "Ordea" cinema in Ramat Gan at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. Four hundred and ten delegates, representing 35,000 members of the party, will attend, spokesmen told the press here today.

The delegates include 80 members of the party's central council, who are not elected. Elections were held only in Tel Aviv and Haifa, while all other branches agreed on their representatives without a vote.

The two-day conference will, among other problems, discuss the future of the party's workers organization. "We are a party of both the middle class and workers," Mr. Shaiom Zisman, M.K., told the press. At a recent meeting of salaried members of the G.Z. party, the majority voted to be affiliated to the Histadrut.

KIBBUTZ FINED FOR ILLEGAL SALE

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (Itim). — Kibbutz Mavki'im, near Migdal Ascalon, was fined IL.100 and its secretary, Matityahu Drumi, was sentenced to two weeks in prison by the Anti-Profiteering Tribunal here yesterday for the illegal sale of two calves. Four other members of the settlement's Committee were fined IL.50 each.

The Tel Aviv District Attorney lodged an appeal with the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday against the Magistrate's acquittal last month of Avraham Shimshi, the poet, and six others, charged with unlawful assembly.

U.S. Beating Soviet Arms Production

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter) —Mr. Charles Wilson, who yesterday resigned as Defence Mobilization Director, said today the U.S. was fast overtaking Russia in the production of war materials and had already outstripped her in quality.

He told a farewell press conference, "I believe we and our Allies, in view of the way production of war materials is rolling, have now the balance of power."

He believed that U.S. jet aircraft production in 1952 would be double that of last year. He declined to give the 1951 rate of production, but said one company alone this year had produced about 400 jet engines and this was only one of many companies engaged in such work.

Stating that the U.S. output of military goods was now about five times greater than at the time the Korean war broke out, Mr. Wilson said military production was "really rolling." Steps had been taken which should guarantee the reaching of a production target of $4,000m. a month.

Wilson Resigns Over Wage Dispute

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter).—The director of the U.S. Defence Mobilization, Mr. Charles E. Wilson, has resigned over a wage dispute in the steel industry. President Truman accepted his resignation and named John R. Steelman, who is his special assistant, to fill the post temporarily.

Representatives of major steel companies were due to meet union leaders in New York today to discuss a wage strike threatened for April 8.

The dispute is a result of Mr. Wilson's criticism last week of a recommendation for a pay increase and other benefits for the steel workers.

QUEEN JULIANA ON VISIT TO U.S.

THE HAGUE, Tuesday (Reuter). — Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard will fly to the U.S. today for their State visit during which the Queen will address a joint session of Congress. On April 25 they will pay an unofficial visit to Canada.

On Friday Queen Juliana and President Truman will take part in a ceremony in Constitution Hall in Washington to mark the third anniversary of the signing of the North Atlantic treaty.

Municipal Strike Postponed

The strike of Jerusalem Municipality employees, which was scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed following assurances yesterday by Acting Mayor E. Eliashar that March salaries would be paid before the Passover holiday.

The Workers Committee announced that the strike would be called "just before the holiday" if it became apparent that the payments were not to be forthcoming in time. The Committee stated that the decision to postpone the strike was also due to the consideration of the damage that would result before the holiday if the various municipal services were halted.

Cables in Brief

INVESTIGATE — Three Canadian naval vessels were patrolling international waters off Quemoy this morning to investigate reports that foreign fishing vessels were encroaching on Nationalist China's Kinmen (Quemoy) group's 3-mile territorial rights by crowding inside Communist waters.

REPLACED — The U.S. Navy announced in Tokyo yesterday that Vice Admiral C. Turner will be replaced as Commander of the Far East naval forces by Vice Admiral Robert B. Briscoe.

PREMIER — President Ahmed Soekarno yesterday in Jakarta named the former Economic Affairs Minister, Dr. Wilopo, Premier of Indonesia to head the new 18-man Cabinet.

EXPRESS — The new Amman-Damascus express inaugurated on Tuesday, will run three times weekly and take four hours for the trip.

BARANGWATOS. — Commonwealth Relations Secretary Lord Salisbury told the House of Lords yesterday that he would see the Baringwatos tribal delegation which is to visit London next week to discuss the Seretse Khama crisis.

Moscow Prepared For Economic Talks

MOSCOW, Tuesday (Reuter) —Moscow is prepared to play host to the many foreign delegates arriving for the international economic conference opening here on Thursday.

The new luxuriously furnished Sovietskaya Hotel, built near the site where the Council of Foreign Ministers met in 1947, has been opened to accommodate delegates from various countries.

The white marble-walled Hall of Columns in the House of Trade Unions is being made ready for the daily sessions of the conference, which is expected to devote the mornings to speeches and the afternoons to informal "get-togethers" where delegates can meet and negotiate among themselves.

Two trade fairs showing Soviet products and one Chinese trade exhibit are being opened for the benefit of the delegates.

According to Moscow Radio there are to be about 450 delegates from Anglo-Saxon, Western European, Scandinavian, South American, Middle East and Far East countries—about half of them from Western non-Communist States.

2 Boys 'April-Fool' British Capital

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — A schoolboy and 15-year-old apprentice hoaxed top British atomic scientists, security police and newspapers with the biggest "April Fool" prank in years.

Throughout the night Government atomic experts pored over complicated mathematical calculations written on a bundle of papers marked "Haswell," the name of Britain's hush-hush atomic research station.

One of the boys told the police they had found them in the street wrapped in a Norwegian newspaper. One of the popular national newspapers this morning splashed the story "Boys find atomic secrets" over the front page of the last edition. London evening newspapers headline police inquiries into the "mystery."

Then, in his headmaster's study today, 14-year-old Harry Sibley admitted: "The whole thing was a hoax."

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AN Aladdin's treasure of groceries was found last week in Jerusalem in what has always been considered an exceptionally reputable shop. Consignments of food packages are held up by the Minister of Rationing because there has been black market trafficking in scrip tokens. Housewives are told that their children are spoilt or they would thrive on austerity food that provides them with a handful of sweets not more than once or twice a month. Something is out of kelter. Rationed foods are near the subsistence level, and if any particular ration is late or missed altogether, genuine hardship results. At the same time families with relatives abroad may legally supplement their diet as much as they wish: how well you can live no longer depends on how hard or successfully you work, but on whether you have an uncle in the United States, and whether that uncle chooses to be generous. There is no doubt that this injustice—it is no less—has caused many to turn to the black market who would otherwise have hesitated to do so. And yet the answer can scarcely be to stop parcels, which do supplement the diet of perhaps a quarter or more of the population.

FOOD AND PEOPLE

Dr. Joseph, who begged and bullied in time to get the supplies that kept Jerusalem alive during the siege of 1948 is the only man who has since then been willing or able to stay on the rationing job for more than a short time, and this courage in the face of almost impossible odds will be remembered to his credit. He has, however, been unwilling to face the fact that the best rationing scheme in the world cannot be operated unless the housewife cooperates willingly, and that this cooperation cannot be enforced administratively, but must be developed through understanding and good public relations. The housewife cares little about the national economy, and a great deal for her own domestic economy. She is convinced that for her husband's wage she should be able to keep her family fed and clothed, and that that is the business of the Minister of Supply. What is more, she is right: that is the ultimate national goal, and as long as we fall short of this aim, it is presumably the Government, however beset by problems, that should apologize and not the harassed housewife, who never undertook to plan for the nation. If supplies fall below the minimum, controls will be evaded and the housewives will revolt; and if they are told at that point that they are also, incidentally, bad cooks and poor managers, then they will do their best to sabotage the rationing scheme although it is this scheme that is saving their children from much worse malnutrition than is at present the case.

There is no answer to this recurrent problem except to plan ahead far enough to prevent supplies dropping below the minimum, and to remember at all times that supply is of the essence, and that control must come after. And to say all of this is not to absolve those of us who are living in anything approaching comfort today from the clear knowledge that we are in that case living beyond our national means and beyond our national production, that we are piling up debts, visible and invisible.

A "COMMITTEE of investigation" in China and Korea has just confirmed the reports of American bacteriological warfare, and its findings will be presented, no doubt, as obviating the need for any other commission of enquiry into Communist Germ charges. One wonders whom the commission set out to convince. Has the story met with cynicism, by any chance, on the other side of the curtain?

Germinological Inexactitudes

After all, anyone who demanded an impartial investigation would hardly be impressed by the unsupported statement of a Communist, (to whom morality is synonymous, according to Lenin, with the interests of the World revolution), especially as Mr. Jack Gaster, the Communist in question, at all points accepts unquestioningly the statements of 'experts.'

The public abroad would be interested in a check of the Chinese bacteriologists' reports, cross-examination of eye-witnesses, a check on temperature, humidity, and distribution.

The commission did none of this — it came, saw, and was convinced.

SUBMARINES DOMINATED ALLIED MEDITERRANEAN MANOEUVRES

Lessons of Operation 'Grand Slam'

By LEO HEIMAN

FROM February 25 to March 5 the fleets of four nations were engaged in the biggest naval manoeuvres ever held in the Mediterranean. Participating in Operation Grand Slam, as the NATO exercise was called, were 204 warships and 570 aircraft plus some 1,150 merchant ships.

With more than forty admirals on hand, the exercise was nicknamed "Operation Big Brass." However, fewer than 20 of the 40 flag officers participating were in command positions. The others acted as referees and impartial observers on behalf of Admiral Robert Carney, U.S. Navy, who was in overall command of the exercise in his capacity as Commander in Chief of NATO Naval Forces in the Mediterranean.

Officially, the British don't recognise Admiral Carney's appointment as the NATO Naval C-in-C as they still hope Admiral Mountbatten will get the job when he takes over the Mediterranean station in May. In practice, however, they agreed to put their two fleets, the Mediterranean and Home Fleet, under "Mick" Carney's command.

On March 6 all the flag officers assembled at Admiral Carney's Headquarters in Naples for a final critique, the first results of which have just been announced.

U.S.-U.K. Strategy

Grand Slam's biggest and most positive result to date has been the bridging of the wide gap in opinion between the Americans and the British as to how their respective Mediterranean Fleets should act in the event of war.

For a very long time the Americans tended to consider the Mediterranean as the strong right flank of General Eisenhower's position. This right flank's main task would have been to strike at once and deliver the Sunday punch, even if the centre and left flank reeled back under overwhelming assault.

This school of thought was subdivided into two more schools — one advocating an immediate strategic employment against Russia's soft and vulnerable Black Sea underbelly with its vital key oil, steel, power and shipbuilding industries within easy range of carrier-borne aviation, and the other calling for tactical support directed against enemy troop concentrations and communications in the Balkans and South-central Europe. Both schools, however, were sold on the Sunday punch theory.

The British, on the other hand, with their years of experience in guarding the Empire lifelines, pressed for a deployment of the forces along vital lines of communications and for securing the vital sea lanes before turning to counter-attack.

The results of Grand Slam provided plenty of food for thought for all groups. In the first phase of the manoeuvres, devoted to convoy warfare, the British position was seen to have been correct. A medium-sized submarine force of some 40 vessels, supported by about 150 bombers and patrol planes, played havoc with Allied shipping. Convoy defences proved inadequate and the system of strong hunter-killer groups was emphasized once more as being the deciding factor in anti-submarine warfare. The hunter-killer teams, employing destroyers, frigates, escort carriers, helicopters and antisub bombers, sunk all but two of the submarine force.

Submarine Attack

Before being destroyed, however, the subs carried out about 700 attacks, sinking or damaging more than 100 warships and about 180 merchant vessels. In actual combat, the Allied navies wouldn't have been able to sustain such heavy losses and still dominate the Mediterranean. Moreover, the attacking bombers inflicted prohibitive losses on all convoys without sufficient fighter covers. One convoy of 40 merchant ships, under cruiser and destroyer escort and commanded by an Italian admiral, was attacked about 90 times during the four days it took to reach Malta from Gibraltar. It is assumed that under actual combat conditions, the convoy would have been entirely wiped out by the attacking subs and planes.

Consequently, even the most ardent advocates of the American Sunday punch theory had to admit that until the lines of communication are firmly secured, no offensive operations can be sustained or, for that matter, even carried out.

On the other hand, the supporters of the British school of thought had a bad shock when they realized that with most of the carrier aviation and surface fleet strength employed in convoy protection, the enemy was free to advance along the Mediterranean coasts to establish submarine and bomber bases, from which planes and subs ranged all over the sea sowing mines and torpedoes. Such a situation would have made even the best convoy defences ineffective and the whole Mediterranean defence setup a failure in the long run.

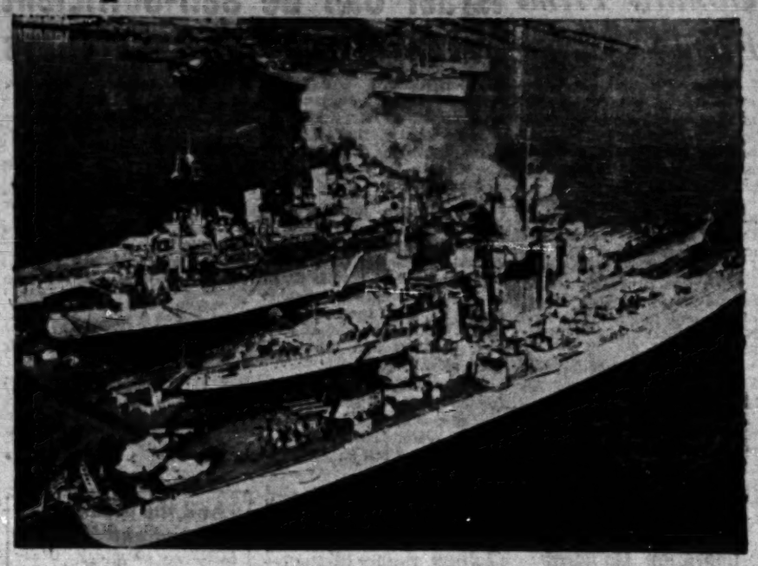
Therefore, in the second phase of the manoeuvres, in which tactical support by aviation and naval bombardment was demonstrated, even the British admirals of the old school had no choice but to admit that the Sunday punch theory had something in it.

Air Assaults

The second phase had two highlights. One was the bombardment of a spot on the Sardinia coast which was assumed to be an enemy submarine base. The bombardment group, consisting of eight cruisers and about a score of destroyers, using air spotting and electronic fire control, soon reduced the whole place to shambles. This actual bombardment group was covered by destroyer screens and carrier task forces, which would have made any counterattacks ineffective.

The other highlight was a mass assault upon the rocky island of Stromboli which was assumed to be an enemy strongpoint. Two-hundred-and-eighty-two carrier-based planes, ranging from jets to propeller-driven bombers, "liquidated" the island with napalm, rockets, bombs and cannon.

Thus, with the Americans admitting the need for increased sea lane protection, and the British recognizing the obvious importance of naval striking force employment, a road was paved to mutual agreement on questions of Mediterranean strategy.



Warships of three of the four Allied Powers that recently participated in the Western Mediterranean Naval Training exercises are seen tied side-by-side at a Naples pier. From front to rear, they are the U.S. heavy cruiser "Newport News," the Italian battleship "Andrea Doria," the USN's "Adirondack," and the English heavy cruiser H.M.S. "Liverpool." Express 'photo

Record Yield from Milk Sheep

By MONTY JACOBS

The average townsman, seeing a flock of sheep at pasture, would most likely think of the animals in terms of meaty legs of mution, or perhaps woolly winter underwear. But not Israel's sheep breeders. They, according to Dr. Moshe Finci, who heads the Ministry of Agriculture's sheep-breeding section, have turned out the best milk-giving flocks in the world. From that milk, Roquefort and other cheeses are made.

The breed common to Israel and the neighbouring Arab countries is known as the Awassi, of which — prior to statehood — there were close to half a million in the hills and valleys. Today, there are about 40,000, a figure which farmers and breeders want substantially increased.

Milk Increase

Economically, breeding sheep to supply milk and some wool is a lot more satisfactory (for the owner) than producing animals for slaughter. Because of this, Israel farmers have steadily improved their flocks until the accepted figure of 60 kilogrammes of milk per sheep per annum has been left way behind. Last year 14,000 sheep in 69 flocks, whose records have been closely checked, gave an average of 238 kilogrammes.

"To secure this increase," Dr. Finci — formerly sheep expert to the Yugoslav Government — explained, "we have improved the feed and living conditions of the flocks."

To follow the progress of the sheep, Dr. Finci's office maintains a register whose regularly detailed entries might well be studied by the next Government authority obliged to carry out a population census.

The records show the progress, from birth to death, of 4,000 sheep whose milk output averages 334 kilogrammes a year. Sheep No. 961, a member of the Ain Harod flock, holds the all-time record, having produced 680 kgs. in 229 days in 1949. Now deceased, 961's record still stands, although No. 782, belonging to another famous flock — Kfar Giladi's — is only 30 kgs short of the Ain Harod figure.

If anyone is interested in finding out when these wonder animals were born, who their fathers and mothers are (and that side of it is given very close attention in breeding circles), all the facts are available in Dr. Finci's fabulous sheep census. Such animals as 961 and 782 are worth about IL. 100 a year for their milk output, and another pound or two for their wool. This latter is one of the drawbacks of the Awassi as she produces a rough wool that is good for rugs but must be mixed with other wools if it is to be used for finer materials.

Imports from Turkey

With a natural increase of about 20 per cent each year, the present flock of 40,000 is growing fairly slowly but the Government, Dr. Finci said, now has a project to import 10,000 additional sheep from Turkey this year to be followed by 20,000 more next year.

The head of the sheep section has another set of figures — showing the fat content of the local Awassi milk.

From these figures he claims that the best sheep, not weighing more than 50 kilos herself, produced in one year 40½ kilos of fat in her milk.

"Our sheep are better producers of fat than cows. We took tests on the 25 best milk-giving cows and the 25 best sheep. We found that the cows on an average gave 53.4 per cent of their live weight in fat content in their milk; the sheep gave 59 per cent."

English Breeds

Dr. Finci, who ran a large sheep farm in Cyprus from 1934 to 1937, said that the Government is trying to introduce other breeds. Small flocks of English animals — Suffolks, Romney Marsh and Dorset Horns — and a few Dutch Texels have been bought and their progress in this country is being closely followed.

The sheep breeding section is also going to keep a very interested eye on the project of the Australian breeder, Dr. Solomon Goldberg, who intends to fly in 1,200 sheep from Australia soon.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

Jakobus Gideon Strauss

LONDON (OFNS.)

IF the present constitutional crisis in South Africa results in the downfall of the Malan Government, the next Prime Minister is almost certain to be Mr. Jakobus Gideon Nel Strauss, Q.C. As leader of the Opposition in Parliament he has challenged Dr. Malan to resign and fight a general election over his decision to defy the judment of the Appeal Court which had declared the Separate Representation of Voters' Act invalid.

Strauss succeeded General Smuts as leader of the United Party shortly before he died in 1950. He is hardly known outside South Africa.

The reason for his election was that a serious split had developed within the United Party between its right wing and liberal wing. Smuts, like Lenin, feared that after his death the struggle for leadership might split the party. He avoided this by selecting Strauss as a compromise candidate who belonged to neither of the warring groups.

He has both the virtues and defects of the political "compromiser". He has, however, shown unsuspected strength in making his leadership effective by holding together the two wings of the United Party. To do this he has had to make concessions to his right-wing supporters. Recently, for example, he announced that if the United Party was returned to power the Group Areas Act introduced by the Malan Government would not be abrogated.

This came as a shock to the liberals in his own party. The Group Areas Act is the cornerstone of Malan's programme of "apartheid." Its intention is to segregate the Europeans, Africans, Indians and Coloureds into separate residential, industrial and economic areas. Strauss did undertake to make this Act more "workable" and less inequitable. But since the United Party had vigorously opposed this measure in Parliament his announcement appeared to weaken the struggle against the doctrine of "apartheid". What is worse, is that his decision strengthened the feeling among non-Europeans that, in fact, there is little to choose between the two main European Parties in Parliament.

But Strauss was first chosen for office because of his serious legal mind and not for his political acumen. After he had served Smuts as private secretary for some years he entered Parliament in 1932 in one of the most vigorously contested by-elections ever fought in South Africa. It was in this electoral triumph that he first gave proof of his toughness. His outward appearance belies his fifty two years. He has a boyish figure and grin, an unattractive thin voice, and a modesty that can be embarrassing on first encounter.

His method of fighting is to use his well-trained legal mind while remaining calm and dignified even under the greatest provocation. Like all the prominent politicians in South Africa Strauss is an Afrikaner. He learned to speak English properly only in his middle teens.

COLIN LEGUM

Readers' Letters

UNWANTED MEMORIES

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Recently I was disagreeably surprised to hear over "Kol Yisrael" the German Army song, "Lily Marlene," in English. I was told that the Eighth Army used to sing it; nevertheless, I don't see why "Kol Yisrael" should choose to play it now — a song of very questionable musical value as well.

For five years under the Nazis in Europe we were compelled to hear "Lily Marlene" 20 times a day, blazed through loudspeakers and by German soldiers.

I beg "Kol Yisrael" not to broadcast it again; it brings back too many unhappy memories to the victims of Nazism.

Yours, etc.,
LIONEL ALFASSA.

Haifa, March 3.

"Kol Yisrael" Replies

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — "Lily Marlene" became the international soldiers' song of World War II. I do, however, agree with Mr. Alfassa that it might hurt the feelings of listeners if broadcast by the "Kol Yisrael". We shall therefore not broadcast it in the future except in plays where it might be required as a symbol of the German soldier.

Yours, etc.,
KAREL SALOMON,
Director of Music,
"Kol Yisrael".

Jerusalem, March 25.

CORRECTION

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — In my letter on March 28, I did not say that King David was born "about 2950 years ago." I said that "3000 years ago he was not born yet." I wish to make it clear that the date 2950 does not refer to the birth of David, but to the time he made Jerusalem the capital of Israel.

Yours, etc.,
A. REUBENI

Jerusalem, March 30

AMAZED. — As a visitor in Israel who was present at the planting of the Jan Christian Smuts Forest recently, I was amazed to see that no member of the Cabinet or Knesset attended the ceremony. I find it difficult to believe that none of these people could find the time to pay tribute to one of the oldest and staunchest friends of the Jewish State. South African

MUSICAL DIARY

IT has often been repeated that the emergence of the Jewish State has had a profound effect on the Jewish mind in Israel and in the Diaspora. It must, however, be admitted that nothing so far produced by Jewish men of letters or art justifies this belief. Moreover, as far as the writer of these lines is concerned, he has not yet heard of any deliberate attempts to reflect or portray this revolutionary change.

An interesting exception, however, is the case of Darius Milhaud who was commissioned by the late Dr. Serge Koussevitzky to write the music for an opera on "King David" for the forthcoming Jerusalem festivals to be held in Binyaney Hacoma in the spring of 1953.

Among the moderns, Darius Milhaud occupies a prominent place and exercises a great influence. A prolific composer, he has passed through different phases and moods. One wonders how this disciple of Jean Cocteau will master the theme of "King David." The time of David with the unification of the State, the moulding of a nation out of tribes, the laying down of a spiritual and religious foundation for the nation resembles our own in many respects. Will this modern and very often noisy composer be able to master the solemnity of the majestic reign of a King whose personality and deeds had such a profound influence on men of letters, of art, of politics and of war throughout the centuries?

About Milhaud, Andre Coeuroy writes: "Milhaud's taste for music violent and loud, highly coloured and noisy, has found substantial nourishment in the humorous Pepsane." But it is hardly possible to say that Milhaud belongs exclusively and unreservedly to the "Ecorcheurs." Often we see him, falling back under the influence of Schola-Cantorum with its deep religious motives; in "Le Pauvre Matelot" he presents a story set to Breton folk songs of the sea. In his "Cristoph Colomb" he created an impressive combination of opera, oratorio and film, again with a religious background; but fundamentally he is a follower of the romantic tradition.

I. BENARI

Sympathetic Music

The festive concert for Moshe Rapaport, at the Tel Aviv Education Centre Hall on Saturday, commemorating his 25th anniversary in the country, presented a retrospective survey of the work of the noted composer and cellist. His most popular work, the string quartet of 1928, with its well conceived and artful conservatism, appears today as the composer's central work, (we were unable to hear Rapaport's cello concerto, performed on the same evening). Among the works written in the contemporary Israel idiom, songs of descriptive and lyrical character, expertly sung by Sarah Danieli and Dr. Eitan Reich, were the most noteworthy. Irene Blaser played a piano piece, "At the Seashore," while Messrs. Liftman, Levi, Rapaport, and Ilona Straschitz offered an excellent performance of the quartet.

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Illustrated Lecture

"MUSIC Education — Today" was the theme of an unusually interesting talk by Prof. Leo Kestenberg at the Bet Hahaluzot on Sunday, sponsored by the Irgun Olej Merkaz Europa. Prof. Kestenberg was director of the International Society for Musical Education in Prague from 1923 to 1938. His approach to his material had none of the narrow formalism of the dry academic "expert". In his lecture he described the wide psychic-aesthetic background of music and drew vivid parallels between language and music, the rhythm and colour of Hebrew. He also discussed the musical feeling in the novel: "Magister Ludi" (Das Glasperlenspiel) by Herman Hesse, Nobel Prize winner.

Prof. Kestenberg's talk was impressively illustrated by the beautiful singing of the Bokharian girl, Sara Roll, and a captivating violin-duo by Mordechai Setter, well executed by Moshe Avidor and Jenny Sadowsky. Prof. Kestenberg compared this composition favourably with Bach's two part inventions.

FRANGO

I.S.C.M. Salzburg Festival

The 26th Festival of the I.S.C.M. will be held from June 21-29 in Salzburg, where the Society was founded 30 years ago. Features of this year's festival are a Schoenberg Memorial Concert in which the monodrama "Erwartung" will be sung by Ilona Steingruber; four orchestral and two chamber music concerts at the Mozarteum; and special events. The first chamber music concert, on June 23, will open with a Sonata for violin and piano by Josef Tal of Jerusalem, played by W. Schneiderhan and the Israel pianist Lola Gaestman. This is the first time that an Israel work has been accepted for performance in these festivals since Ordoun Partos' "Konzertstueck" was played at the 1951 festival in New York.

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